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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Paul L. Hickman

Application No.: 09/631,424

Filed: August 3, 2000

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ACCESSING  
A WIDE AREA NETWORK

Attorney Docket No.: 60333-302502

Examiner: A. Patel

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Signed: 

Paul Hickman

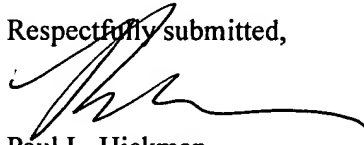
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Applicant(s) hereby petition for a three month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action.
- ☒ Check No. 126117 in the amount of \$445.00 is enclosed to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees and terminal disclaimer fees.
- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 02-3964 (Order No. 60333-302502).
- ☒ If the required fees are missing or any additional fees are required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, please charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-3964 (Order No. 60333-302502). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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AMENDMENT B

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 1/3/01, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. A request for a three month extension of time, and the fee therefor, to respond to the Office Action is enclosed herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows. A marked-up version showing the changes is attached hereto.

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Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice.